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**Subject:** Revised layout for namies WEF

### **RE: Revised layout for the Namies Wind Energy Facility near Aggenys, Northern Cape**

I have reviewed the revised turbine layouts for the Namies WEF and confirm that the conclusions drawn in my original desktop study for this project stand, namely:

- There are no preferences on fossil heritage grounds for any of the alternative transmission line routes, access roads, wind turbine technologies (2.4 MW *versus* 3.5 MW turbines) or wind turbine layouts.
- In all cases the impact significance of the proposed development is assessed as LOW (negative).
- The Namies WEF study area, including alternative transmission line corridors and access roads, is of LOW palaeontological sensitivity.
- Significant impacts on palaeontological heritage resources due to the proposed alternative energy development are not anticipated.
- Pending the discovery of significant new fossil remains during development, no further specialist palaeontological heritage studies or mitigation are recommended for this project.

The proposed revised layouts are consonant with the recommendations made in the original report and no additional impacts on fossil heritage resources are anticipated.



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